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(Divisional of Application No. 09/902,660)	)	
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Filed: March 3, 2004	)	
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For: USE OF AN ORGANOMETALLIC	)	
COMPOUND TO PROTECT	)	
AND/OR STRENGTHEN A	)	
KERATIN MATERIAL, AND	)	
TREATMENT PROCESS	)	

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**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.97(b)**

Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.56 and 1.97(b), Applicants bring to the attention of the Examiner the documents listed on the attached PTO 1449. This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed together with this new divisional application.

Copies of the listed documents were previously submitted or cited in a prior application, Application No. 09/902,660, filing date July 12, 2001, upon which Applicants rely for the benefits provided in 35 U.S.C. § 120. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner consider the listed documents and indicate that they were considered by making appropriate notations on the attached form.

This submission does not represent that a search has been made or that no better art exists and does not constitute an admission that each or all of the listed documents are material or constitute "prior art." If the Examiner applies any of the documents as prior art against any claim in the application and Applicants determine that the cited documents do not constitute "prior art" under United States law, Applicants reserve the right to present to the office the relevant facts and law regarding the appropriate status of such documents.

Applicants further reserve the right to take appropriate action to establish the patentability of the disclosed invention over the listed documents, should one or more of the documents be applied against the claims of the present application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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FOREIGN PATENT DOCUMENTS							
		Document Number	Publication Date	Country	Class	Sub Class	Translation Yes or No
	1	WO 98/44906	Oct. 15, 1998	PCT			Abstract
	2	WO 00/53153	Sep. 14, 2000	PCT			Abstract
	3	EP 0159628	April 11, 1985	EPO			

OTHER DOCUMENTS (Including Author, Title, Date, Pertinent Pages, Etc.)	

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